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COLUMN

All Summer Sport Starts With
the Giants' Opening at the
Polo Grounds To-Day.

Well, here we are again. The Giants are at the Polo Grounds to-day, and old Winter's back is broken at last! Let joy turn a couple of summers.

To-day's opening has more significance than appears on the bills. It means not only the first appearance of the Giants at home in the National League race, but the beginning of all summer sport. It has become the custom for everything else to wait for baseball. Baseball breaks the ice—sometimes literally. After the big baseball opening, the afternoon out-of-door sports begin to boom in a week. Tennis, golf, tennis, all the rest of them, will be in full swing.

How's luck to you, boys. This is the day to show us how hard you can haul of the postcard holiday.

There's still buzzing about the remarkable showing of Joe Rivers against Leach. Surely the little Mexican came here this time to "show us." He made good.

The success offered for Cross is another. First the weight in the trifling, and now the weight in the trifling. Rivers weighed in at 125 without tipping the beam. Cross could exactly 125 pounds. That was a round of course, was a fatal blow.

Some say that Leach had an off night and didn't get started. As for myself, I think that Cross fought very well against him. He was disappointed by being up against a boxer, much more clever boxer, who could hit at least as hard as Leach himself.

Against a plain slugger Cross is a fighter. Fast, clever men always have been. But Leach was a different kind of a fighter. He was a boxer, much more clever boxer, who could hit at least as hard as Leach himself.

When Rivers first came to New York he was described as a "wide open" man. He was a "wide open" man. He was a "wide open" man. He was a "wide open" man.

Rivers has everything that a champion needs. If any lightweight now in the game is to take Willie Little's place, it will be Rivers. He has everything that a champion needs.

The little Mexican's coolness was remarkable. He fought like a winner. He fought like a winner. He fought like a winner. He fought like a winner.

There was something remarkable about his inability to land a blow effectively, and letting him go at a wild chance, fanned the air three feet away from where Rivers was. Rivers was a "wide open" man.

Of the most amusing things in the ring this week is L. McCarty's valuation of his services. McCarty's valuation of his services. McCarty's valuation of his services. McCarty's valuation of his services.

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MANAGER CHANCE'S
LEGAL RIGHT AND
HE'LL PLAY TO-DAY

Caldwell and Johnson Likely
to Be Opposing Pitchers at
Washington Opening.

PRESIDENT TO ATTEND.
Highlanders' Leader Welded
the Ax Before Leaving for
the Capital City.

BATTING ORDER.
NEW YORK. WASHINGTON.
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Wolfe, 2b. Miller, cf.
Hartzel, 3b. Grand, 3b.
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WASHINGTON, April 10.—Local fans will get their first peek at Frank Chance as a big league manager this afternoon when the Highlanders open the season here with the Senators. Of course, when the Peerless Leader was the boss in Chicago the Cubs never played here, so that capital city rooters are very much interested to see him and size him up.

Chance announces that he will get into the battle to-day, his leg having entirely recovered from the strain it underwent in the second and last game of the series in Brooklyn.

Roy Hartzell, who was knocked unconscious by a foul tip at Newark Tuesday, is ready to get into the mixup. The only absentee will be Claude Derrick, the Brooklyn shortstop who was severely injured in the second Dodger game. He has had four stitches taken in his right hand, but it is healing so rapidly that he is confident that he will be able to play in two weeks' time. "Pep" Young is booked to take the erstwhile Athletic player's place.

Manager Chance intends to use Slim Caldwell in the box. This writer worked for six innings in the first Brooklyn game last Saturday, and he showed so much speed and curves that he is thought to be just the man to take Walter Johnson's measure.

The local park will be crowded to-day, and when President Wilson throws out the first ball a battle will be started which promises to be a rip-roarer.

Clark Griffith, who for a number of years held the position with the New Yorks that Chance now occupies, is confident of capturing the opener, and he also believes that his team, which is the same which surprised the world by finishing second in the American League race last fall, will land the flag this season.

Of the twenty-five youngsters that Griffith took South with him, only six have been retained, two of them being pitchers. The New York boss has already slung the ball to several new candidates for the position, which is well within the limit prescribed by the National Commission rule that no club retain over twenty-five men after May 15.

The following players got the hook before the Highlanders left home: Paddy Green, who goes to the Pirates; Douglas Harrison, a shortstop, who was sold to the Chicago Cubs; and George Davis, who was sold to the Boston Red Sox.

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A. A. U. Suspends
Crack Athletes
Kentucky Derby Winner
May Be Eastern Horse

Ten Point, Buskin and His Majesty Training at Local Track.

LOCAL horsemen are confident that the winner of this year's Kentucky Derby, the turf classic of the Blue Grass State, will come from the East. Of the many Derby eligible horses training at the home tracks are several with excellent chances of winning the rich stake. Of this number, Buskin, Ten Point and His Majesty appear the strongest. The reports of their fast performances drifting down to Kentucky recently from these tracks have made the Blue Grass turfmen far from comfortable.

With the exception of Buskin, the others (Ten Point and His Majesty) have tried over a distance of ground and acquitted themselves in a manner that would lead one to believe that the horse that can beat either one of them has the Derby "sawed up." Before his retirement last fall His Majesty lost the favor of the colorful of Hilarious, Seago, Carlton G. Lech and Lahore, and found it an easy task to defeat this sort of a field going a mile and a sixteenth, a performance that placed him in the first flight of three-year-olds.

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Johnny Kilbane Wants
To Meet Rivers July 4th

Either He or Cross Would
Gladly Meet Mexican in
Place of Willie Ritchie.

BY JOHN POLLOCK.
If by any chance Tom McCarry is unsuccessful in getting Willie Ritchie, the lightweight champion, to meet Joe Rivers at Vernon, Cal., on July 4, he will have two other good men to select from to meet the sturdy Mexican. These fighters are Leach and Johnny Kilbane, the present featherweight champion, who has decided to desert the featherweight class and join the lightweight division. Cross says he is sure he can defeat Rivers in a bout of twenty rounds, and would like to get a chance at him for that number of rounds, while Kilbane stated at Los Angeles to-day that he will gladly take on Rivers if he'll weigh in at 125 pounds at the ringside.

George Engel, manager of Frank Klus, the American middleweight, in a letter to the writer, says that he is sure he can defeat Rivers in a bout of twenty rounds, and would like to get a chance at him for that number of rounds, while Kilbane stated at Los Angeles to-day that he will gladly take on Rivers if he'll weigh in at 125 pounds at the ringside.

At Los Angeles, who made considerable money with the bunch of American fighters that he brought to the city last fall, has signed a contract with Rivers, which was scheduled to take place over in Paris on April 25. "I am sure that I can beat Rivers in a bout of twenty rounds, and would like to get a chance at him for that number of rounds, while Kilbane stated at Los Angeles to-day that he will gladly take on Rivers if he'll weigh in at 125 pounds at the ringside."

Willie Lewis seems to have rounded into good fighting form again in Paris, for a few nights ago he met the heavyweight of France, in a ten-round bout and put him to sleep in the fifth round with a right hand swing on the jaw. This was the second time in two weeks that Lewis has won a ten-round bout here, and he is now a ten-round champion.

Joe Levy, who looks after the affairs of Joe Rivers, the Mexican lightweight, announced to-day that the latter's next bout in the city will be with Eddie Moran, the veteran, on May 15, at the Garden A. C. "I am sure that I can beat Rivers in a bout of twenty rounds, and would like to get a chance at him for that number of rounds, while Kilbane stated at Los Angeles to-day that he will gladly take on Rivers if he'll weigh in at 125 pounds at the ringside."

Matty Mahlin, who has won four fights in a row since coming to the city, has been matched to meet Jack Sullivan, the veteran, on May 15, at the Garden A. C. "I am sure that I can beat Rivers in a bout of twenty rounds, and would like to get a chance at him for that number of rounds, while Kilbane stated at Los Angeles to-day that he will gladly take on Rivers if he'll weigh in at 125 pounds at the ringside."

Digger Stanley, the lightweight champion of England, still holds his title. He was in New York to-day to see the other side of the title, but a few days before the day of the match he was called to London to make the weight so the bout was called off.

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